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... Changes to River Forecast Services for the Cedar River at Waterloo...

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Subject: Changes River Forecast Services for the Cedar River at

Waterloo, IA (ALOI4), effective at 1200 PM CST on

November 1, 2023

Per coordination with local officials, the NWS in Des Moines will change river forecast services for ALOI4, effective at the date and time mentioned above. Daily warm season river forecasts will no longer be provided. The warm season runs from April 1 through September 30. River forecasts will be provided, however, when the observed or forecast stages go above the Forecast Issuance Stage, also known as the Action Stage.

As has been the case for ALOI4, river forecasts and flood warnings will continue to be valid along the reach of the Cedar River extending from the Waterloo-Cedar Falls city limits to Spring Creek near La Porte City.

The Cedar River at Waterloo is a real-time U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) streamgage which provides stage data. This streamgage has a period of record back to 1941. It is maintained by the USGS Field Office in Iowa City and is funded by both the USGS and the City of Waterloo.

... Concluding Remarks...

As with other NWS river forecast points, the NWS will provide river forecasts when the observed or forecast stages go above the Forecast Issuance Stage, also known as the Action Stage. In addition, the NWS will issue river Flood Warnings and follow-up river Flood Statements when the observed or forecast stages go above the Flood Stage.

Also, river forecasts for the above location will be available on the NWS Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service (AHPS) Website. In addition, river forecasts for this location will be updated as needed while the stream remains at or above the Forecast Issuance Stage in the evening during the warm season, and during both the morning and evening in the cold season.

More information is available on our Website at: http://www.weather.gov/desmoines .

The NWS welcomes public feedback. If you have any questions or comments on this change, please contact:

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